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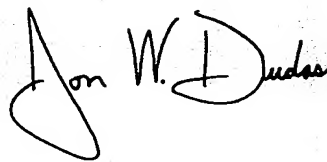
It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Col. 5 lines 1-10  
Claim 1 should read as follows:

1. A method for generating an x-ray beam, said method comprising the steps of:  
  
operating a cathode to generate an electron beam;  
  
directing the electron beam from the cathode through a selectable shaped aperture in an accelerating electrode, wherein the accelerating electrode is positioned in a central recess of an anode surface; and  
  
impinging the electron beam at an acute angle on the anode surface to form a focal spot on the anode surface.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon W. Dudas". The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial "J" and a cursive "Dudas".

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